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UNITED STATES AND RUSSIA.

New York, Dec. 31.

Senator Borah writing to the New York Times says that the
United States must recognize Russia. He adds that the treatment
of Russia by the Allies is unprecedented for its shortsightedness,
cruelty and injustice.

HONDURAN REVOLUTION IMMINENT.

Washington, Dec. 31.

The cruiser Rochester has been despatched to Honduras to
protect American interests as a revolution is imminent in that
country.

ANGLO-AMERICAN RELATIONS.

Washington, Dec. 31.

Both officials of the Government and the Press are unanimous
in their expression of opinion that Ambassador Sir Auckland Geddes
is the greatest promoter of Anglo-American friendly relations.

(Reuter's Service.)

POLITICIANS RE-AWAKENING.

London, Dec. 31.

The political world is re-awakening after the Christmas holi-
day. Mr. Baldwin returns to London to-day and Mr. Ramsay
Macdonald shortly afterwards. The Cabinet meets on Wednesday or
Thursday to discuss the new embodiment in the King's
speech.

The Rothermere press is constantly urging the Liberals
and Conservatives to save the country from a
Socialist Government. The Liberal circles that the
position is unchanged since the announcement of his
intentions.

One paper understands that a number of men occupying respon-
sible posts in the Empire have notified the Foreign, Colonial and
India Offices of their intention to resign if a Socialist Government
comes into power.—Reuter.

LABOUR BANKS.

New York, Dec. 31.

An interesting industrial development is the rush of American
labour unions to establish banks and furnish their own capital.
Two labour banks have been established in New York during the
last nine months and two more will start business in January.
Twenty others are already founded elsewhere in America, and twenty
more are about to open.—Reuter's American Service.

HOGMANAY.

NEW YEAR'S EVE BALL.

There were gay happenings at
the City Hall on Monday. It was
the occasion of the first ball arranged
by the Chief and Petty Officers' Club of the China Fleet, and the
nine hundred or more revellers ap-
propriately brought in the New
Year to the strains of Auld Lang
Syne. No expense of time, effort
and money had been spared in
transforming the interior of the
City Hall, which was very taste-
fully decorated by men from H.M.S.
Tamar, supervised by Mr. G.
Marsh, E.R.A., of H.M.S. Des-
patch, the President of the Club.
Some 700 palms and plants were
utilised in the decorations and
gaily coloured bunting and many
White Ensigns were hung around
the walls of the various halls. The
setting was charming and amid
such a delightful atmosphere the
guests enjoyed themselves to the
full for a few brief hours.

Those invited included Admiral
Sir Arthur Leveson, K. C. B.,
Commander-in-Chief, about seventy
naval officers and their wives, the
Commanding Officers and the Pet-
ty Officers of each of the American
ships in harbour, military sergeants
and officers from the Police Force
and Fire Brigade.

A feature of the evening was the
remarkable lighting effects whilst
the dancing was in progress. Red,
white and blue lights were nicely
arranged around the halls and four
Aldis spot lamps with coloured
illumination played on the dancers
during the merry whirl. The Band
of H. M. S. Hawkins obliged with
a splendid dance programme and
contributed greatly to the success
of the evening.

At five minutes to twelve the
Band struck up a waltz, and three
minutes later all the guests linked

OBITUARY.

MR. F. E. CARVALHO.

We regret to announce the death
of a very old and highly respected
resident of Hongkong in the per-
son of Mr. Frederico Eugenio
Carvalho, of 10 Ashley Road, Kow-
loon, which sad event took place
very suddenly at his home at 7
p.m. on Monday Mr. Carvalho,
who was 63 years of age, was in
his usual health up to Sunday and
was out visiting on that day. He
took to bed that evening and
passed quietly away, as reported,
the cause being heart failure.
The deceased gentleman had been
with the Great Northern Tele-
graph Company for over forty
years in the accounts department
and intended to retire shortly.
He leaves a family of two daugh-
ters and five sons and many other
relatives in Hongkong and else-
where to whom the deepest sym-
pathy is extended.

hands and during the passing of
the old year sang Auld Lang
Syne. The striking of sixteen
bells on a large bell which
was recovered from the ruins of
Yokohama announced the ushering
in of the New Year. The scene
during those few minutes was a
remarkable and unforgettable
one.

Supper was taken in relays, the
Hongkong Hotel Company doing
the catering, which was well up to
their usual high standard.

Those principally responsible for
the great success of the evening
were Mr. Marsh the President of
the Club, who superintended all
the arrangements, and Mr. J.
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CUSTOMS HAUL OF AMMUNITION.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Dec. 31.

The customs raided the French
liner Paul Lecat and found 7,500
rounds of mauser ammunition. One
sailor, it is reported, was arrested
while walking off the ship with the
ammunition.

ITALY AND THE SOVIET.

The first result of Premier
Mussolini's speech favouring an
agreement with Russia is the
concession of oil fields in
Georgia to an Italian syndicate.
These oil fields comprise 50,000
square miles in the district of
Signov, in the province of
Shirak, easily accessible by rail
from Baku, Tiflis and Batum.
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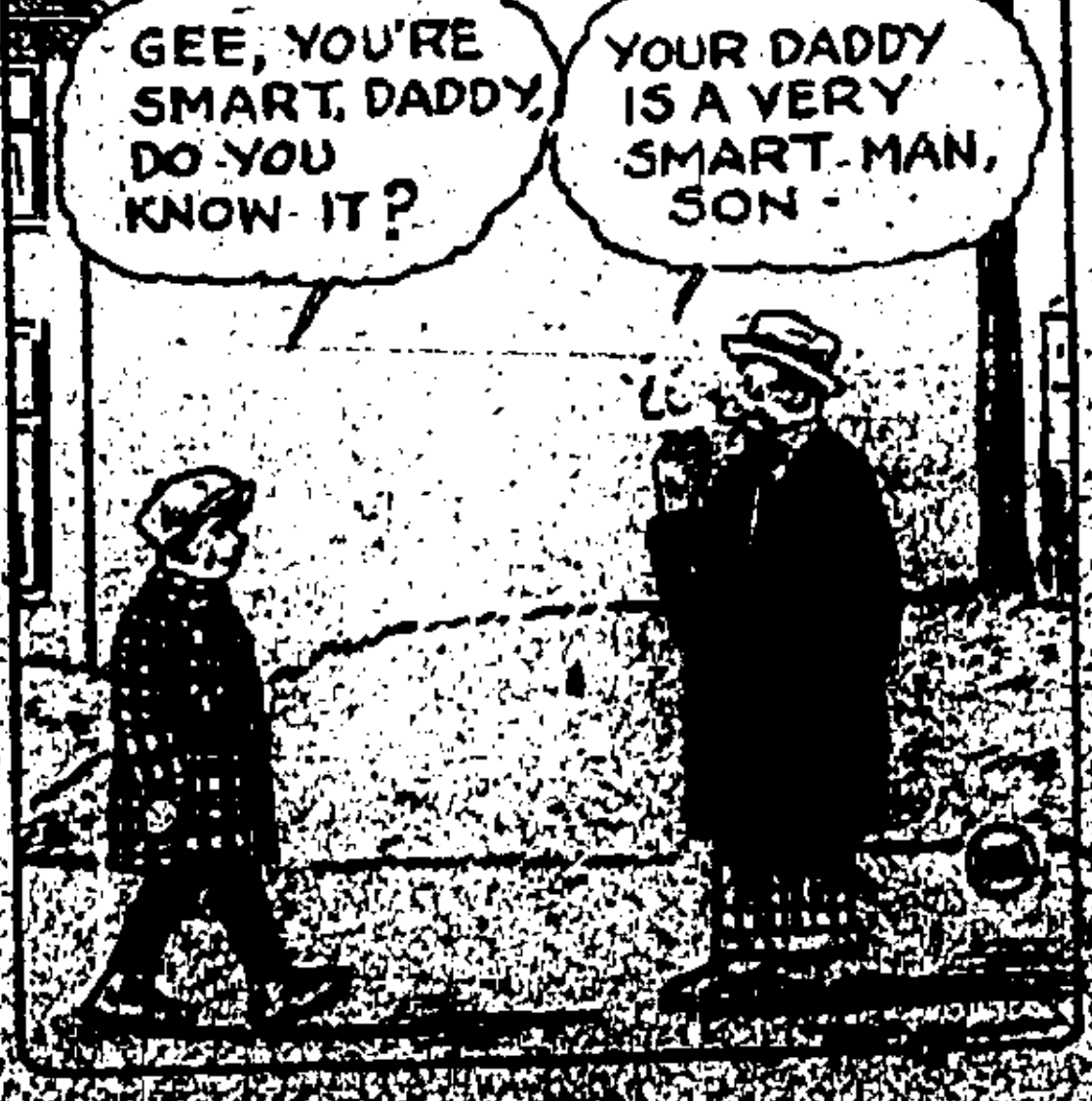
transport the oil by a canal from
the fields to Batum.

AWARD TO MERCANTILE MARINE.
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bronze medal for gallantry to
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early attempt to record earth-
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vance was made in China by
Chang Heng, a man well known
for his literary and scientific
ability.

He quotes as follows from a
book of the third century, the
"History of the Later Han," c. 89,
folio 4:—"Again in the first Yang-
chia year (A.D. 132) he made an
instrument for judging the direc-
tion of earth movements, formed
of fine cast copper, eight
feet in diameter, fitted
with a domed cover and in
shape like a wine jar. For orna-
ment, he used the lines of antique
characters and the shapes of
mountains, turtles, birds, and
beasts. Inside there was a con-
trol post, which would move
sideways in any one of the eight
directions, for the purpose of hold-
ing or releasing the mechanism.
Outside were eight dragons' heads,
each holding a copper ball in its
mouth, and below (each) was a
frog with mouth wide enough to
catch the ball. The clogged ma-
chinery and cunning construc-
tions were hidden inside the jar,
and the cover fitted down closely
all round without a crevice.

If there was an earth move-
ment, then the jar shook, the
mechanism of a dragon was
released and vomited the ball,
and the frog caught the ball in its
mouth. The sound of the shak-
ing was high and loud, and the
observer was thus aroused to
know (of the earthquake). Even
though it was the mechanism of
one dragon that was released
while the seven heads did not
move, yet according to the point
of the compass (of the dragon
which did move), they knew
the position of the shock;
and they corroborated it by
the supernatural way in which
the facts tallied. Judging by the
records in the histories, such a
thing had never before existed.
On one occasion the mechanism
of a dragon went off, but the
earth did not move perceptibly;
and all the learned at the capital
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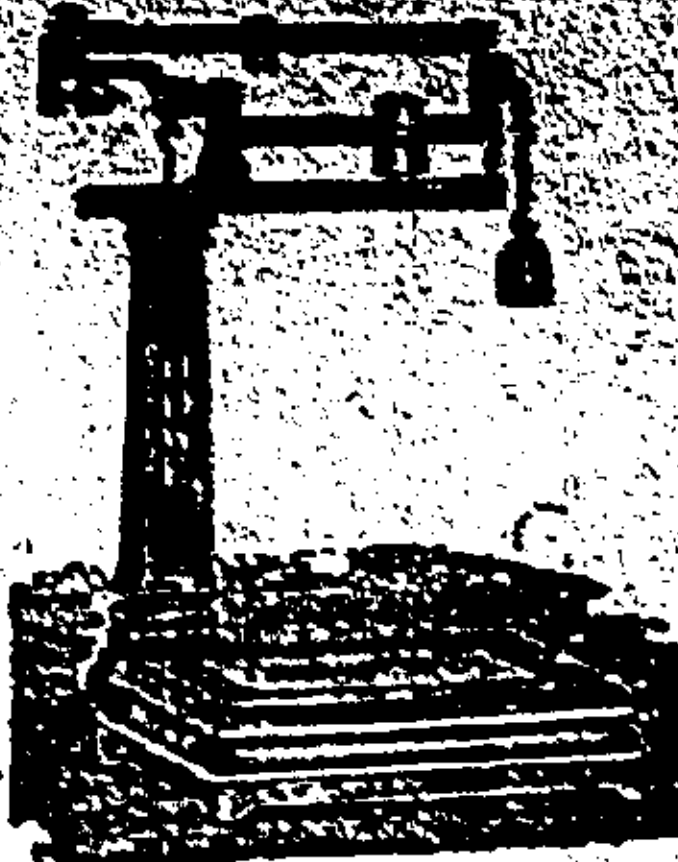
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THE OLD AND THE
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Although it may be somewhat
old-fashioned to make New Year
resolutions, there is, with us all,
individually and collectively, an
inclination at the commencement
of a fresh twelve-month to cast
our minds back over the past,
take stock of the present and
cogitate on the prospects of the
future. It is as well that this
should be so. As units or as
communities and nations, it is
only by looking at past ex-
periences and examining the
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In glancing back over 1923, we
can all find cause both for regret
and for thankfulness. As a
Colony, we naturally think of the
continued depression in com-
merce, largely due to conditions
in the adjacent province, and
also of the disaster which we
experienced when that big ty-
phoon struck us on August 18th.
The year also has been marked
by one or two serious outbreaks
of armed crime and by piracies
which have resulted in loss of
life and property. Then there
has been the plight of so many
tenants who have been turned
out of their houses and have
found much difficulty in finding
new homes. Cost of living, also,
has markedly risen in several
respects, and there seems no im-
mediate prospect of a decrease. On
the other hand, there have been
many respects in which we have
cause to be thankful. We have
had very little real labour
trouble, and the year has certain-
ly been marked by really won-
derful development of the
Colony, coupled with the fortu-
nate circumstance that the
Government's credit balance has
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burden of taxation.

So much for the past. As to
the future, we can wait what it
has in store for us with calm
confidence and quiet hope. That
the Colony will continue to
grow, there is little doubt.
Never have our finances been

so sound as at the present time.
The year 1923, though it was
marked by many troubles, was
not without its successes. It was
a year of progress, and the cause
for joy and satisfaction will
outnumber those for sorrow and
depression. Above all, we do
trust that this New Year which
has just opened will witness the
restoration of peace to
troubled China, with a resultant
revival of business between
Hongkong and Canton. In any
event, we should all try to
cultivate the frame of mind that
reflects gratitude for the good
things that come our way, and
that looks upon less happy
occurrences from the standpoint
that, however bad, they might
have been worse. To all our
readers, of whatever race or
 creed, we extend our sincerest
wishes for a truly Happy and
Prosperous New Year.

Museums for Education.

We have previously pointed out
the value of a museum as a means
of educating the community, and
it is interesting to note plans just
announced by the American
Association of Museums by which
every city and town may have
assistance in the organisation of
a museum of its own. What we
need in Hongkong seems to be
assistance to provide better
facilities for the exhibition of
such museum specimens as we
already possess, together with
an organised extension of the
institution until it assumes some-
thing like the proportions one
would expect in a big city. The
American plan might be borne in
mind, and perhaps it will give an
idea to the local authorities.
Individuals in the United States
interested in establishing mu-
seums are being asked to form
local committees and then to
communicate with the Associa-
tion, which will furnish assist-
ance and guidance in organising
and financing the project. The
Association recommends, for a
typical small museum, that efforts
be made to collect and secure
accurate information about
authenticated historical objects,
such as old costumes, house fur-
nishings, implements, weapons
and manuscripts, showing the
community's past; natural his-
tory specimens, including local
animals, plants and minerals;
works of native art, and small
groups of arts and crafts
relating to other times
and places. There should
also be exhibits showing the
materials, processes and products
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bodies, so as to give citizens a
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and importance of their com-
munity in the realm of business.

Popular Institutions.

The Association points out that
museums are now as popular
with the general public as
were free libraries not very
long ago, and this, it contends,
is an indication that in the
near future they will become
as numerous as are libraries
to-day. The real purpose
of these institutions is not fully
understood, because there have
been so many "junk-houses"
which have been called museums.
Modern museums are public in-
stitutions responsible for educa-
tional work based on their
collections. They co-operate with
schools, all the world over, furnish
material for newspapers, maga-
zines and books, investigate science,
art and history and in this way
make contributions to general
knowledge, and promote good
taste and appreciation of beauty
in art. Children, and even grown-
ups, derive complete instruction
by seeing and touching the things
they read of in books, and their
understanding is broadened and
their ability to use their know-
ledge is increased. Everyone who
has seen the keen interest dis-
played by scholars in the small
school museums, just a few
specimens in one or two glass
cases, maybe will realise what a
far better educational value an
up-to-date museum can have for
any community. Perhaps, in
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The story of the famous battle
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Colonel Barr, commanding there,
called to his assistance the garri-
son at Sirur, which lies between
Ahmednagar and Poona. Captain
Stanton, in command, marched
with the 3rd Bombay
Grenadiers (now the 54th), two
guns of the Madras Artillery and
250 of the Poona Horse. On
arriving at the village of Kore-
gaum, they found the whole of
the Peshwa's force encamped on
a stream opposite the village.
This force, consisting of 20,000
horse with 8,000 infantry, includ-
ing 3,000 of the dreaded Arab
The Peshwa's horse immediately
advanced on the small force,
which threw itself into each
of the village enclosures as were
not already in possession of the
enemy. By noon, the British
were closely invested and cut off
from the water, and exposed to a
most desperate attack from the
Arabs and a heavy artillery fire.
Till 9 o'clock that night the
attack continued, when at last
the disappointed Arabs and Mar-
athas drew off after suffering
heavy loss. Lieut. Chivolum, com-
manding the guns, had his head
cut off and taken by the Peshwa.
One of the guns was captured by
the Arabs, and Lieut. Pattinson,
a gigantic subaltern of 6 ft. 7 in.,
did his Grenadiers recapture the
gun. Although mortally wounded
this giant accounted for five
Arabs in his dying effort. The
losses of the determined little
band were more than heavy, the
Grenadiers having 50 killed and
105 wounded.

A tall Basalt column to this
day stands to commemorate the
gallantry of the Battalion. It
was erected by order of the
Governor General, the Marquis
of Hastings.

The commemoration parade,
which is a very impressive
function, was held on the Marine
Parade Ground, Kowloon, and
was attended by H. E. the
Governor, accompanied by his
A. D. C. Capt. Neville, Col.
Nicholson, D.S.O., D.A.A. C.M.G.,
and Lieut. Hall, R.A., A. D. C.
to General Sir John Fowler, who
was unable to be present owing
to sickness.

The colours were garlanded
and trooped. Wreaths were
placed on the Regimental Col-
ours by Col. W. B. Roberts,
D.S.O., Commandant of the Bat-
talion, on behalf of the British
Officers, on the King's Colour by
Mrs. Doda, on behalf of the
Ladies of the Regiment, on
the Regimental Colour by the
Subadar Major, on behalf of the
Indian Officers; by the senior
Indian Officers of each Company
on behalf of the men; and by the
Pipe Major on behalf of the Band.
When all the wreaths had been
presented the Colours were trooped,
the Pipe Band playing the
"Koregaum March." After this,
Major T. T. Oakes, called for
three cheers in memory of the
"Victory of Koregaum."

In the afternoon, the battalion
sports were held on the grounds
of the U.S.M.C. The string band
and the pipe band were in at-
tendance, and some very keen
and exciting matches were witnessed.

HARA-KIRI.
Several of the papers, as well
as Mr. Churchill, seem to be
guilty of an inexactitude in
speaking of the Government
committing hara-kiri. The
Observer correctly points out
that the Japanese expression
does not hara-kiri, but hara-iri,
and we have no right to trans-
pose the syllables to suit our
the two words mean, in Japan,
"bally" and "cut," indicating
the approved ceremonial method
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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION RESULTS.

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COMPLETE LIST OF HONOURS AND PASSES.

The following results have been issued by the Senate of the University of Hongkong:-

MATRICULATION HONOURS LIST.

Noronha, Jose Eduardo, (dist. English), St. Joseph's College.
Chan Yik King (dist. book-keeping), Queen's College.
Ching Hing Chow, (dist. English), Queen's College.
Pau, Peter, (dist. English, physics, geography, mechanics, book-keeping, stenography), Diocesan Boys' School.
Chung Kue-Suen, (dist. English, Mandarin, Wah Yan School).
Reid, George William, (dist. English, mechanics, drawing), private study.
Remedios, Adelina Maria, (dist. English, French), French Convent and Tutorial Institute.
Wong Ta Chuen, (dist. Mandarin, mechanics), Ellis Kadoorie School, Shanghai.
Karanjia, Navel P., Public School for Boys, Shanghai.
Nobleson, Reuben Michael, (dist. English, geography, history), Public School for Boys, Shanghai.
King, Arthur Cecil, (dist. English), Tutorial and Technical Institute, Shanghai.
Chen Li, (distinction Mandarin), Wesley College, Wuchang.

MATRICULATION PASS LIST (CENTRE HONGKONG).

St. Joseph's College. - Frederico Barrios, Chua Wing Hing (dist. English), Khursedji Pestonji Cooper, John Arthur Johnson (dist. English), G. A. Noronha, Leonardo Jose Silva, Luiz E. de Souza, (dist. English), and Tsan Tze Ming.
Queen's College. - Chan Kuo Yiu, Ho Ka Chun, Ho Ka Ming, Ho Shai Cheong, In Tak Lam, Kam Wa Kuei (dist. physics), Kong Man, Tsun, Leung Ping Kwan, Li Yan Wa, Ng Kun Kwai, Ng Wa Man, Pau Ping Lun, and Yau Fung Hon.
Central British School. - E. A. Blackwell, Charles T. Evans (dist. English), and Wm. F. Jenner.
Diocesan Boys' School. - H.T.M. Barma (distinction geography), Chan Ping, In A. M. Easabhy, Juan Chai Lee, Lau Po Yee, Hassan Nema-ze, William A. Shea, Woo Hing Tak, and Ernest Zimmer.
Wah Yan School. - Cheung U Kuen and Lung Tin Tong.
Ying Wah College. - Leong Sik Hing.
St. Paul's College. - Cheng Ching Ho, Fok Wing Kai, Fok Wing Kui, Hung Fo Cho, Ewan Lau King, Tam Pui Chiu, Tsang Hing Kai, and Yau Hing Kwai.
Tutorial Institute. - Kbo Han Po, Kwa Soon Hwie, Loke Chan Hing, Tang Wing Chu and Marius Woo.
St. Stephen's College. - Chang Luen Tang, Lim Lay (dist. history), Ng Chung Sik, Tang Chan Pui, Theng Khay Hua, Ting Cheng Sheng, Tye Soo Chong, Wong Shing Cheong and Yip Yuet Fong.
Private Study. - Syed Sabar Ali, Alfred George Crouch (dist. mechanics), Lo Shing Po, Tan Boon Lim, Teo Soon Wan, Lai Ping Kwan, Chan A. Fook Lim Hock Lean and Au King.

MATRICULATION GIRLS (CENTRE HONGKONG).

French Convent. - Farris Rutonje.
Central British School. - Elsa Robson Bell.
Belilios Public School. - Pau Choi Chue, Chan May Ling and Li Siu Mui.
Diocesan Girls' School. - Kathleen Grose.
St. Stephen's Girls' College. - Leung Chum Ha.
The following candidates have now qualified to enter the Faculty of Medicine - Jap Boon Koo (Private Study), and Tan Tong Lam (Private Study).

The following candidate has been referred in English - Ma Teu Hsing (St. Stephen's College).

SENIOR LOCAL PASS LIST, BOYS (CENTRE HONGKONG).

St. Joseph's College. - A. E. Carvalho, Joseph Louis Lee and Francis M. da Silva.
Queen's College. - Leung Ting Kau, Ahmed H. Madar and Yau Wing Kan.
Diocesan Boys' School. - William Barnes, W. E. Broadbridge and Henry Choa.
Wah Yan School. - Chan Wai Chuen, Andrew Cheung and Yeung Koon Yiu (distinction Chinese).
Ying Wah College. - Cheung Heung Che.

SENIOR LOCAL PASS LIST, GIRLS (CENTRE HONGKONG).

Tutorial Institute. - Hsu Han Yeh.
St. Stephen's College. - Chan Wai Yiu, Lee Heng Sum, Lee Teck Jin and Wong Chi Kin.
Diocesan Boys' School. - Pong Pon Chong.
Central British School. - David Ellis.
St. Joseph's College. - A. M. Braga (dist. English, history), A. J. V. Ribeiro (dist. English), F. E. de Sousa and Francis M. Wong.
St. Paul's College. - Poon Ping Hong.

SENIOR LOCAL PASS LIST, GIRLS (OUTSIDE HONGKONG).

Central British School. - Esther Barth, Dorothy Lyon and Peggy Whitley (distinction drawing).
Belilios Public School. - N. C. Channallog, B. M. Xavier, and Yin Hang Ho.
Diocesan Girls' School. - Jean Ho Tung (dist. Biblical knowledge), Hesta Hunt, Marjorie H. Mason and Mabel Moka.
French Convent. - Jean M. Foulds, Mary Pau, E. F. Remedios, Rozie M. Xavier, B. M. Hardwick, Frances Heysing, Jean O'Hoy and B.C.P. Steel.
Italian Convent. - Helena Akana, Kimy Barretto, C. Bearwolve, Maria E. Gabaco, Alice Dains, Stella Joanillo, Anita King, Conchita D. Pan (dist. geography), Mercedes Ribeiro, Tse Po Su, B. Tillman and Yeung Wai Lim (distinction drawing).
St. Mary's School. - Eileen Bliss (distinction stenography), Marie Rosario (distinction music) and Avelina Souza.
St. Stephen's Girls' College. - Cheng Sui Yue (dist. Biblical knowledge) and Alice Tsang (dist. Biblical knowledge).
Montargis' French prizes. - 1st not awarded; 2nd, Lai Man Sum (Chi Hua School).

JUNIOR LOCAL (GIRLS).

Belilios Public School. - Jennie P. Baker, Fok Kum Ho, Ho Yan Chi, Kwok Tai Ming (dist. needlework), Ng Heang Yau (dist. history), Ng Shuk Chi, Beatrice Oozio (dist. English), Ng Shui Hing, Carmen J. da Roza, Wan Yun Kwai (dist. Chinese) and Yeung Shui Hing (dist. Chinese).
Diocesan Girls' School. - Eileen E. Aris (dist. English and Biblical knowledge), Maria Socorro Botelho, Margaret Alison Bough, Esther Chan, Marie Mimmie Kavarana, Mabel Kotewall (dist. needlework), Edith Lam, Stella Lee, Maria Francisca Prata (dist. needlework), Hilda Maria Sousa (dist. English and needlework), Helen Yvonne Waller and Maud White (dist. English).
French Convent. - Elizabeth S. B. Laing, Amelia Landolt, Agnes Pau, Helen Tait, Agnes Tse, Lucy Tse, Mary Lang Wallace (dist. English) and Jenny Laito Whyte.
Central British School. - Jean Ford Stewart, Ethel Bertha Cecilia Tarrant, Sheila R. Whitley (dist. English) and Dorothy May Wiltshire.
St. Stephen's Girls' School. - Fok Sut Woon, Irene Ung (dist. arithmetic and Biblical knowledge), Frances Woo and Amy Kwan.
Italian Convent. - Chan Yan Ching, Agnes Dillon, Aurelia Geng (dist. English, Spanish and Biblical knowledge), Myra Gutierrez, Queenie Julian, Emily Lopes, Matilda Pereira, Carmela Remedios, Regina Rosario, Anita Silice, Elizabeth Thomas (dist. English), Iris Warnes, Marjorie Warnes and Celestina Xavier.
St. Mary's School. - Laura Gomes, Clotilde Hyndman, Cissy Noronha, Aida Oliveira, Lucia Osmund, Stella Silva and Angelina Silva (dist. drawing).

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Queen's College. - Au Yehang Chong, Chan Sik Ping, Chan Wing Kay, Chan Ye Kun, Chan Lu-Man (dist. English, arithmetic, Chinese, physics and geography), Chan Fook Tin, Chan Kwong Yiu, Cheng Pit Ming, Cheung Chan Tsung, Cheung King Hon, Choi Fan Yuen (dist. arithmetic, physics and mathematics), Choi Hin Kuen (dist. physics), Chow Kin-fan, (dist. arithmetic), Moosa Hassan, Hau Kwai-kan, Ho Leung Chick, Robert Ho Tung, Ip Kun Im, Ip Kwong Lam, Ip Tai Ki, Ko Chui-Lum, Lam Shiu Wa, Lam Yan Tak, Leung Ping Hin, Ng Ting Cheuk (dist. arithmetic and drawing), Li Shiu Hong, Li Yut To (dist. arithmetic and Chinese), Lo Hok Kai, Lo King Ho, Lo Ying Kwan, Lok Hong, Lui In Tao (dist. Chinese), Mak Wing Him, Ng Ting Cheuk (dist. arithmetic and mathematics), Tam Kam Wai, Tam Shiu Tong, Tong Cham Chi, Tang Kai Wing, Tong Tan Chiu (dist. drawing), Tsang Kwong Chung, Tse Ching Yau (dist. mathematics), Tseung Po Ming, Tsoi Ping Sum, Wai Man Wei, Wong Kam Wo, Wong Kam Wun, Wong Man Pan, Wong Kim, Wong Koon Ngok, (dist. arithmetic, Chinese and mathematics), Wong Tin Ming, Wong Wing Hong, Yeung Lu Pak, (dist. Chinese & mathematics), Yeung Wing Pui, Yu Wang Pun and Yuen Hok Lim (dist. arithmetic).
Diocesan Boys' School. - Cheng Man Kwong (dist. mechanics), Chung Yee Wing, Victor Vivian Flynn, Victor Samuel Gittins (dist. mathematics), Thanom Kosajothin, Ko Shun Him, George Samuel Ladd (dist. arithmetic, mechanics, and mathematics), Ian Tek Theophilus Lee (dist. arithmetic), Lee Shiu Kan, Albert William Edward Leong, Reginald Edmund George Leong, Lim Chieh Gwat, (dist. drawing), Abbas Normanboy, Wong Ping Chao, (dist. drawing) and Wong Ping Wing.
Education Institute. - Fukon Young, Lee Shiu Kong, Nip Ping Kuen, Poon Kei Yeung, (dist. arithmetic and mechanics), Wai Mong and Wong Tsun Yiu (dist. drawing).
Central British School. - George Albert Bond, Alban Henry Hill (dist. English, arithmetic and drawing), Kenneth McLane Jenner, Ivan Harold Joseph, Charles MacArthur and Leslie John Maurice White.
Private Study. - Khoo York Koon.
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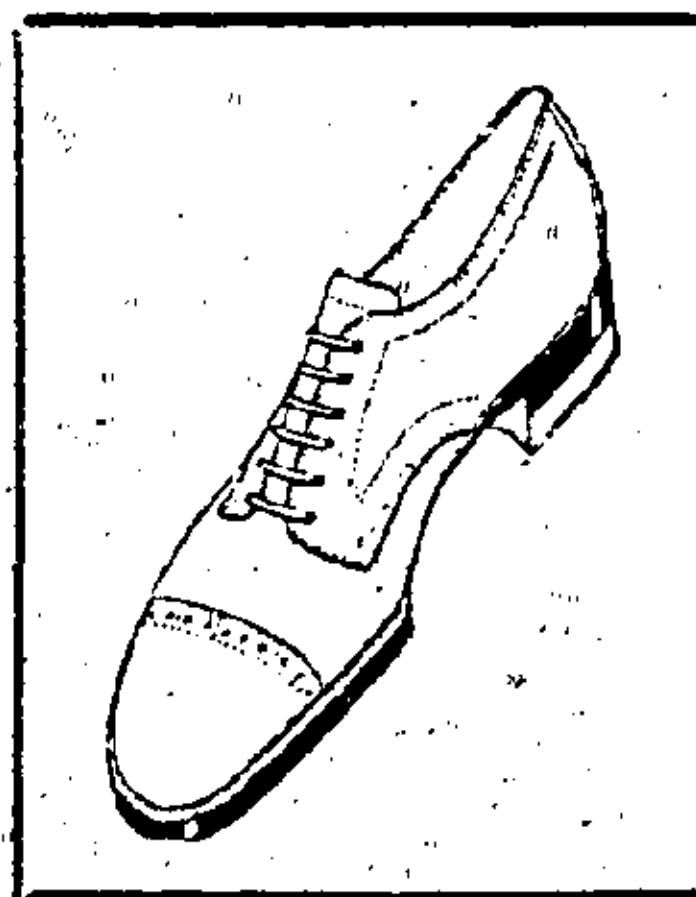
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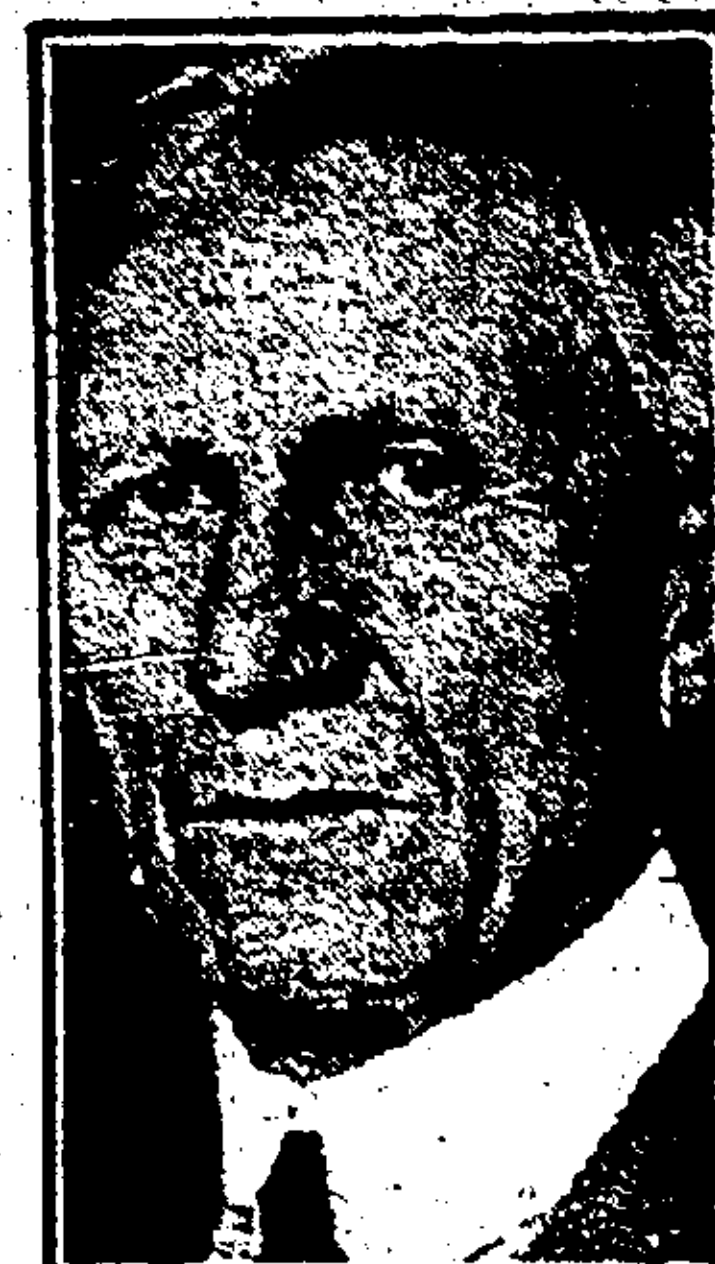
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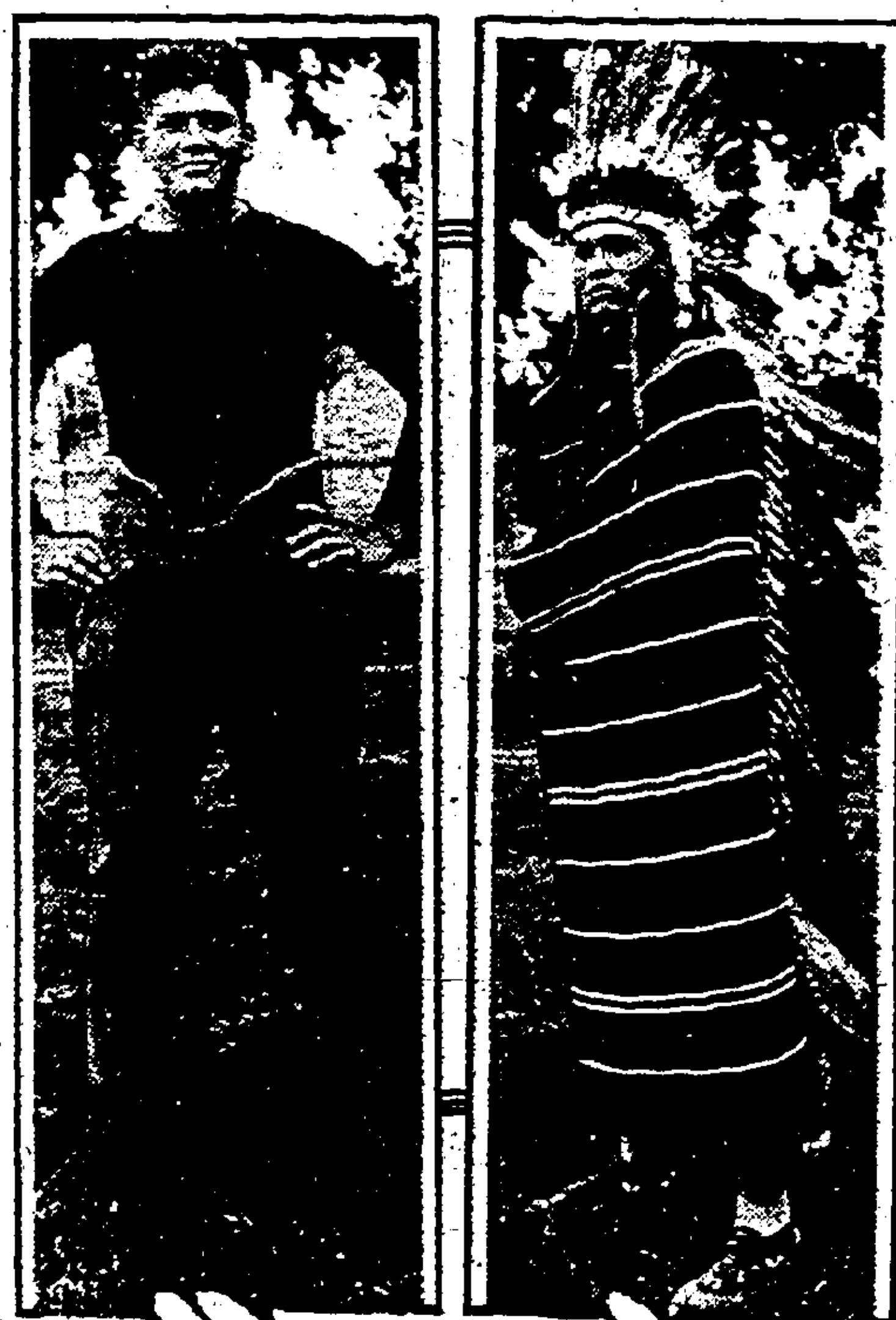
CAMERA NEWS.



A part of the Canadian Government's buffalo herd at Wainwright, Alberta.



George Wertz of Johnstown, who will be a member of Pennsylvania's delegation in the 68th Congress. He steps into the shoes of Representative John M. Rose.



Chief Roebuck, a 17-year-old Choctaw Indian, who is 6 feet 5 inches high, is here shown in football togs and native costume. He plays for the Haskell Indians.



Professor H. M. Perkins and the huge telescope which he has given to the Ohio Wesleyan University.



Students of Wisconsin University ducking annually freshmen in Lake Mendota.

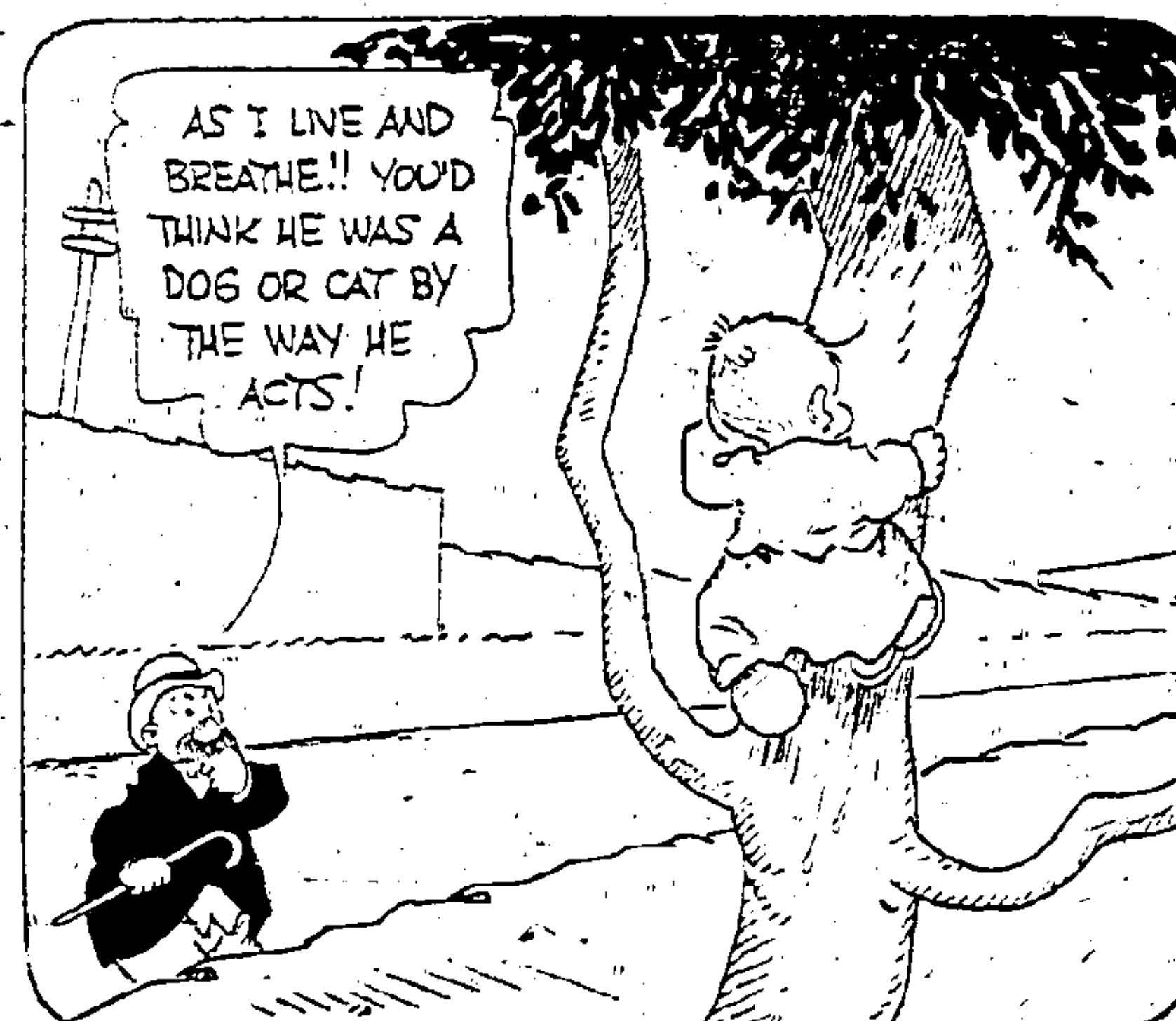
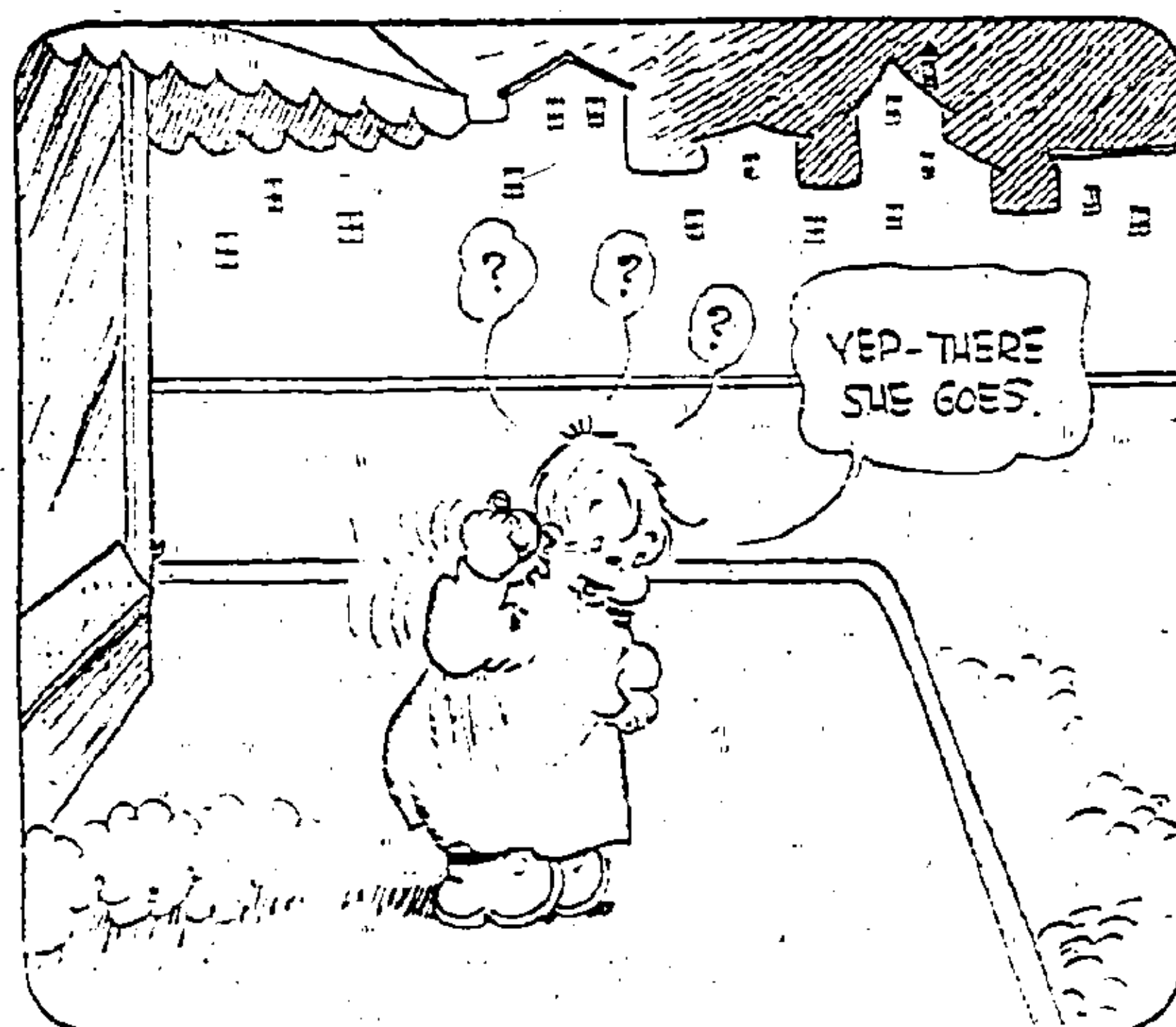
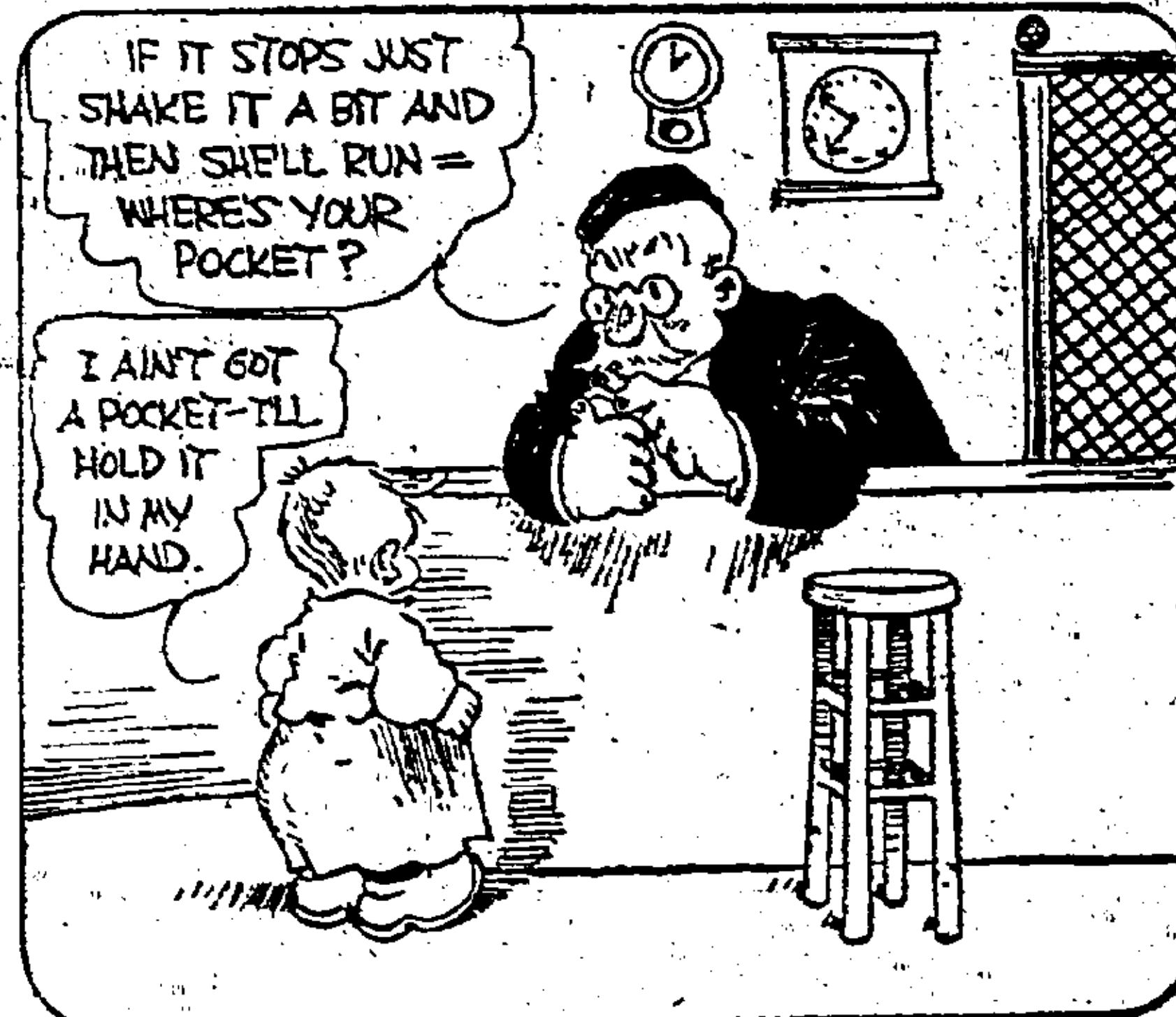
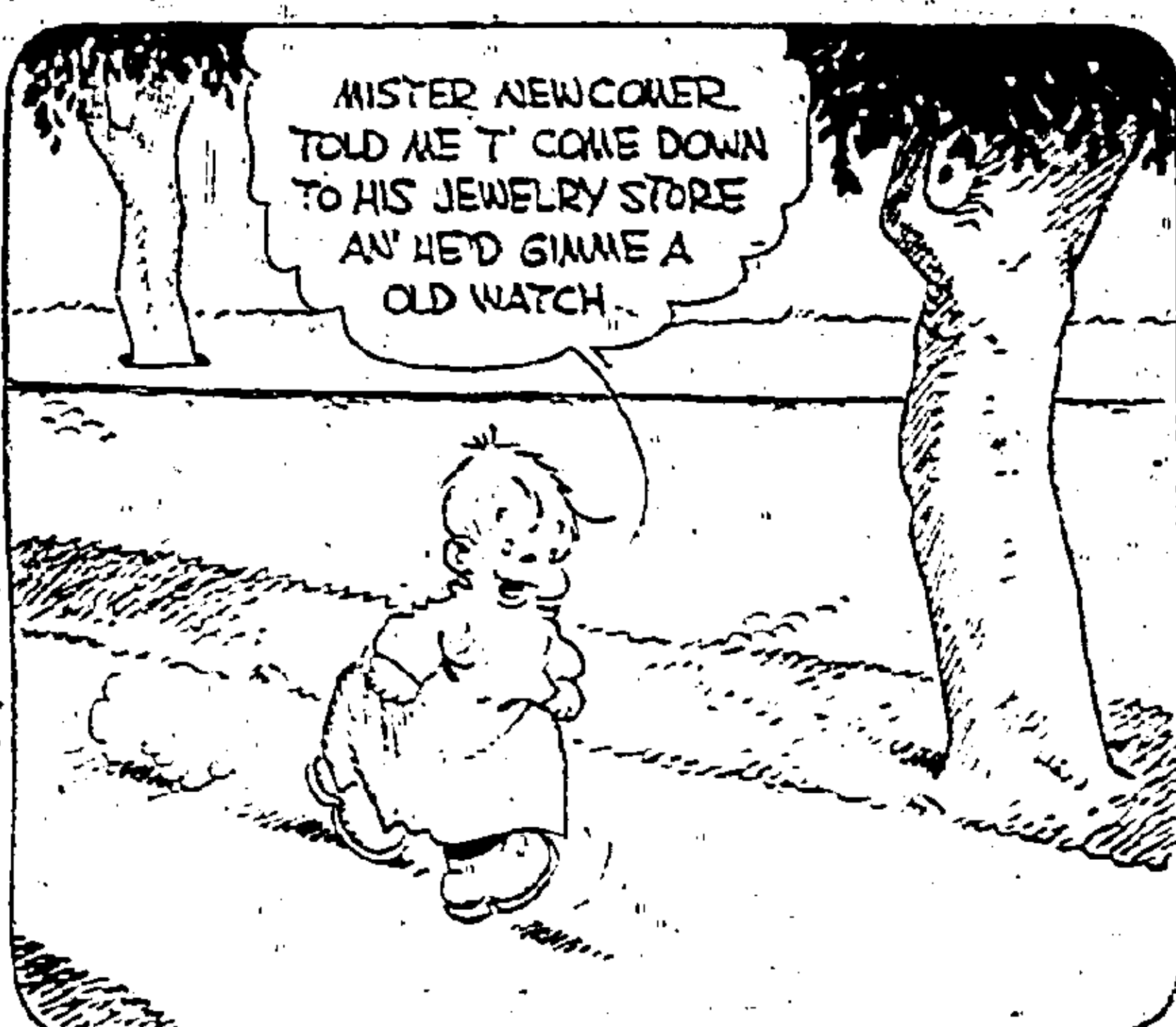


Otto Wiedfield, German Ambassador to the United States, is again in America, having arrived at New York recently. He will take up his duties in Washington. He has brought with him draft of a Commercial Treaty to submit for consideration.



A full-blooded Boston bull terrier, which took first prize at a show for that type of pup at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York.

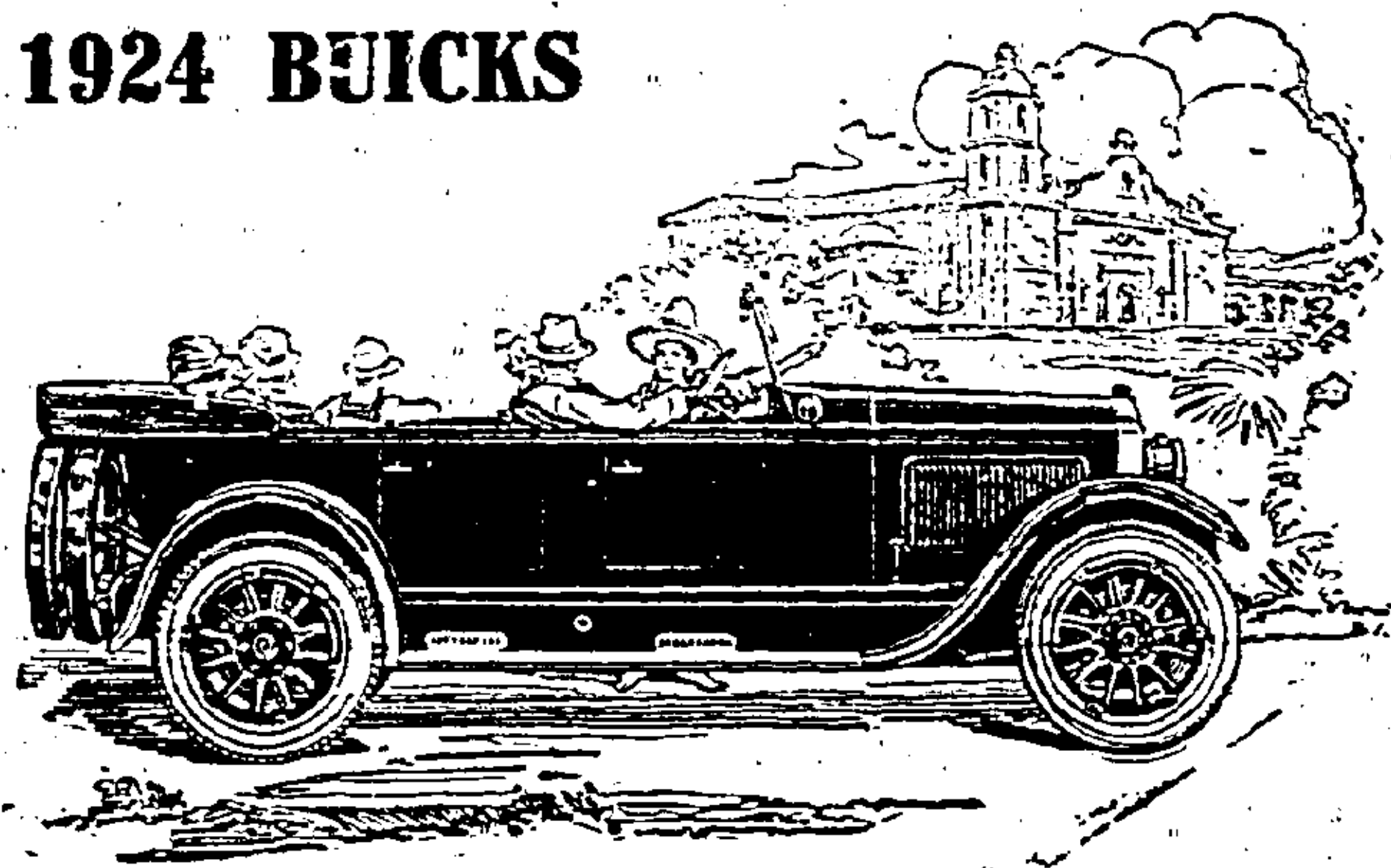
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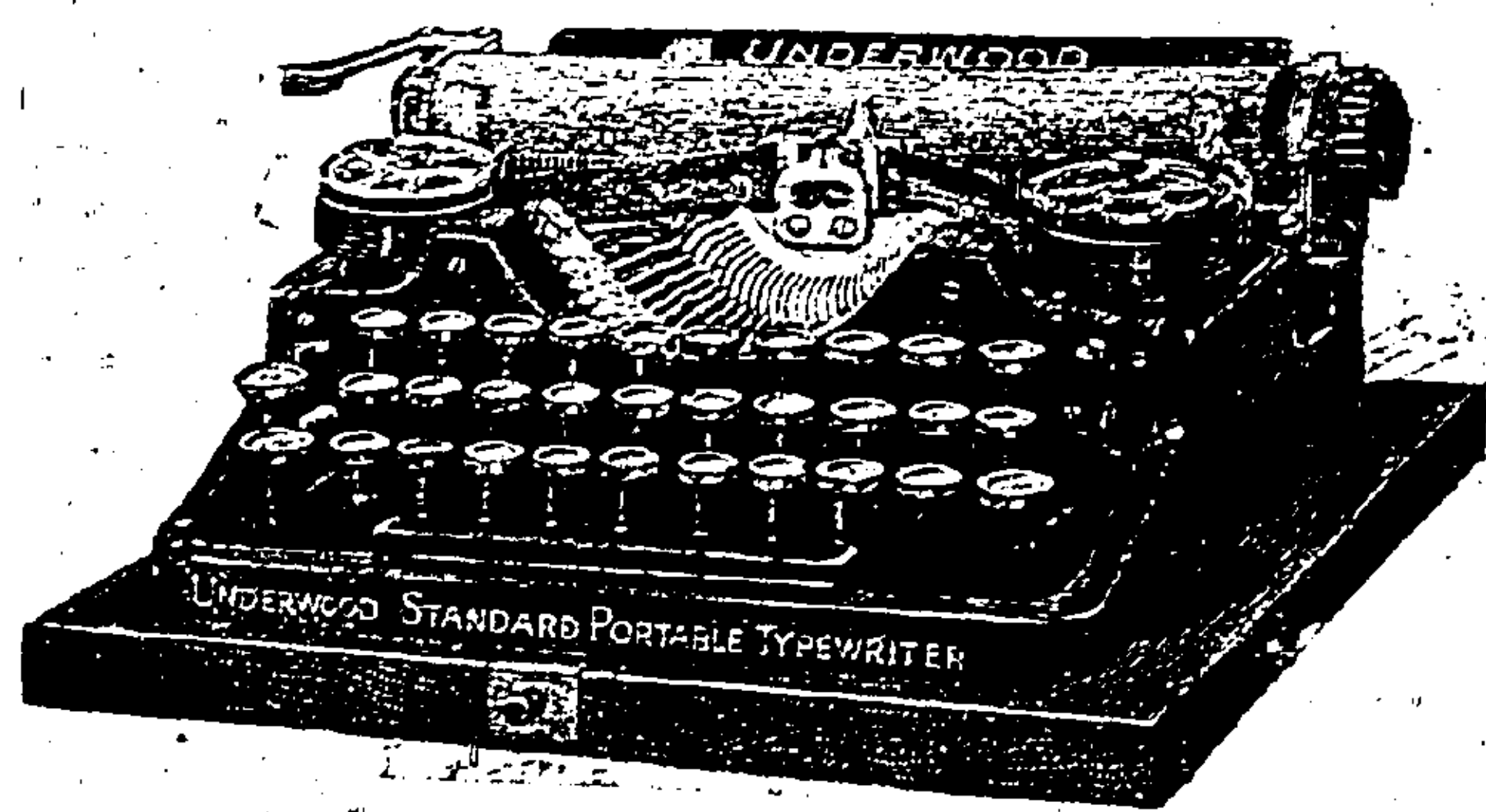
For the sixth consecutive year Buick has been assigned first place at the National Automobile Shows which will be held in the United States during January 1924.

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BOXERS MUST DEFEND TITLES.
Boxing champions must defend their titles in bona-fide championship bouts at least once every six months, under a new championship ruling adopted by the New York State Athletic Commission. Failure to do so will result in indefinite suspension for the champion, and possibly the forfeiture of his title. Any boxer who engages a suspended champion in New York or elsewhere will also suffer indefinite suspension, or the refusal of a license to box in New York.

RADIO NOTES AND NEWS.

Revolutions In The Science of Wireless.

Even the mightiest of the mighty is threatened by new comers in radio.

Revolutions in this science are occurring so fast that the bystander can do nothing but stand aside and have patience for the final outcome. There is no use in taking part, no advantage in deciding on a certain receiving set for one's own amusement. For tomorrow that set may be overthrown by another, simpler and better.

Such are the uncertainties of a revolting science.

That the science of radio is in a state of turmoil, of constant change and uncertainty, has never been so attested as it is now. Today a "superst" is hailed as the latest achievement. Tomorrow, it may be an antique.

Only a year ago, Major Edwin H. Armstrong's regenerative receiver was the last word in radio. Now it is considered only as a step toward more sensitive, more powerful and simpler "hook-ups." Beyond it are such sets as the Neutrodyne circuit of Professor Hazeltine, the Grimes Reflex and others.

At the top, however, is Major Armstrong's "Super-Hetrodyne," generally acknowledged king of them all. And yet, the supremacy of this superser is being questioned.

For now comes a much smaller receiving set which has started its own revolution against the lordship of the super-hetrodyne. It is what is called the "Superdyne" receiver, invented by Robert S. Minor, famous eastern amateur. With its four tubes, this set has been tested against the eight-tube super-hetrodyne and has proven a remarkable opponent for high-end honours in radio. Here is an account of tests made with the superdyne, by C. D. Tuska, radio manufacturer.

NO ANTENNA.

The astonishing part about this outfit is that it operates without an antenna and gives signals of sufficient intensity to be heard through the use of a loud speaker, in Hartford, Connecticut, without the use of an antenna or loop or capacity of any sort, other than the usual ground connections, we have repeatedly copied broadcasts on a loud speaker from Chicago, Davenport, Kansas City, and stations nearer to us.

In attempting to compare the outfit with some of the sensitive sets on the market, we went to Washington and ran a series of tests. First a constant artificial source of power was set up. This was tuned on a regenerative receiver and the audibility measured around 50. With the same power, the same tubes, batteries, etc., the superdyne receiver showed an audibility of over 200.

The same two outfits were tried under similar conditions with a broadcasting station as the source of power. Here the regenerative receiver showed an audibility of about 60 while under corresponding conditions the superdyne receiver showed an audibility of 10,000, which was the end of the meter.

The next test was of a more practical nature. Here we compared the superdyne receiver under actual receiving conditions with the naval six-tube Universal radio-frequency amplifier. The signals with the four-tube superdyne were probably three to four times louder than with the six tubes on the navy amplifier.

The last experiment was the most astonishing of all. In this test we compared the four-tube superdyne with an eight-tube super-hetrodyne receiver. Some of the signals on the super-hetrodyne surpassed this new circuit while in other cases the superdyne exceeded the super-hetrodyne.

Taken all in all, and being very conservative, the best we could say for the super-hetrodyne was that the signals may have been slightly louder using the eight tubes against our four.

That's the situation to-day. To-morrow another inventor may appear with a more efficient set.

THE SUBCONSCIOUS MIND.

Frankly, I am sorely troubled by a piece of news which has recently come from America. In that go-ahead country, somebody has just found out that the Morse code can be taught more quickly to students when they are asleep than when they are awake. It appears that the student who undergoes this new Morse treatment puts on a pair of phones on getting into bed. Now, I have heard of old ladies of nights gone by whose practice it was to wear a nightcap in bed, and I once made the acquaintance of an old gentleman who always slept in a black skull-

cap, but I have never heard of nor even dreamt of a pair of phones as a complement to a dashing suit of pyjamas.

When the Morse-learning student is nicely asleep, messages in code are tapped out, and the subconscious mind of the student receives practice in the code. Then in the daytime, the student allows his subconscious mind to work, and he is in that way able to receive at far greater speeds than if he allowed his conscious mind to work.

No, I like it not. It is unkind to submit the subconscious mind to such a subterfuge. There are many dangers ahead if this new method of learning becomes rife, accounts of burdening the subconscious mind of a child with a long passage of Shakespeare, and allowing the poor infant to recite the passage subconsciously.

Suppose that this method of learning became general. Suppose that such joys of our childhood as the multiplication tables were instilled into us as we slept. What a horrible nightmare school life would become!

This new method of teaching by causing the subconscious mind to work while the student-patient was asleep, would inevitably lead to a new type of wireless school in which the teachers would broadcast their lessons from a broadcasting station. There would be a different wave-length for each different subject. All the student would have to do would be to adjust his receiving set to the appropriate wave-length put on his phones on getting into bed, and lo! in the morning he would have learnt his lesson. Great care would have to be exercised by the student to select the right wave-length. It would be somewhat unfortunate, for example, if a bishop subconsciously learnt a lesson broadcast by a sergeant-major to a physical culture class. Ex.

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Strong mineral acids attack zincite, forming salts of zinc. The mineral is very brittle, and on this account not too great a pressure must be applied to it in the detector. A Perikon, or zincite-copper pyrites detector requires careful adjustment as regards the pressure and position of the two crystal surfaces, but once a good adjustment is made it will remain in satisfactory working order over considerable periods of time.

Probably the detectors in which zincite combinations are made use of are not as sensitive as some of the "cat's-whisker" type, but they possess the advantage of having a much greater stability with less tendency to get out of adjustment.

Besides copper pyrites and bornite, zincite may be used in combination with tellurium, silicon, galena, and the less known bournonite.

There is a wide field of research awaiting the radio experimenter in which he can investigate the receptive properties of other zincite combinations, and determine the conditions under which they are most successful. The list of combinations with which this mineral can be employed is by no means exhausted and probably systematic and persevering research in this direction would reward the investigator with a crystal combination possessing to a very high degree properties desirable of stability and sensitivity. Such an investigator would, without a doubt, receive endless blessings from crystal set users.

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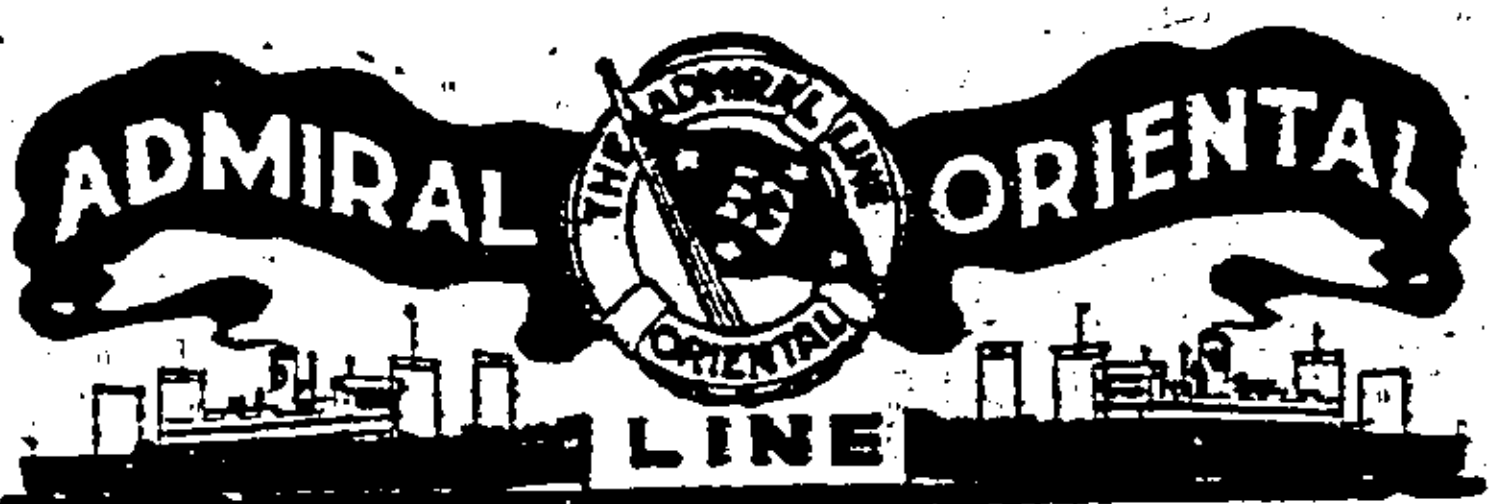
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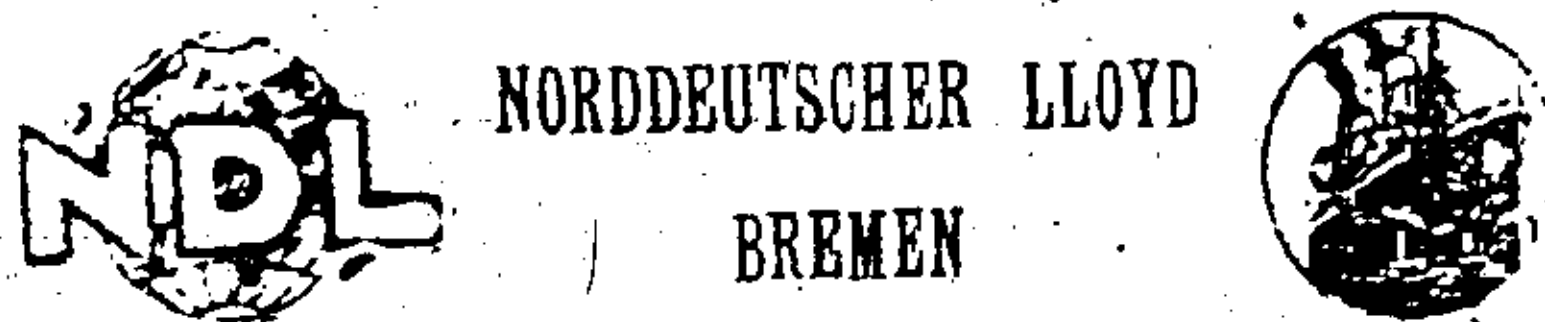
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S.S. COLORADO	via Suez Canal	3rd Jan.
S.S. PELICUS	via Suez Canal	15th Jan.
S.S. LANGTON HALL	via Suez Canal	25th Jan.
S.S. HYSON	via Suez Canal	5th Feb.

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LYCAON	29th Jan. London, Rotterdam & Hamburg

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"TITAN"	20th Jan. Genoa, M'Isles, Liverpool & Glasgow
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PACIFIC SERVICE

"PHILOCTETES"	4th Jan. Victoria, Seattle & Vancouver
"TYNDAROS"	28th Jan. Victoria, Seattle & Vancouver

NEW YORK SERVICE

"PELUS"	15th Jan. via Suez & Boston
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"MENTOR"	7th Jan. for Shanghai
"PATROCLUS"	8th Jan. for Singapore, Marseilles & London
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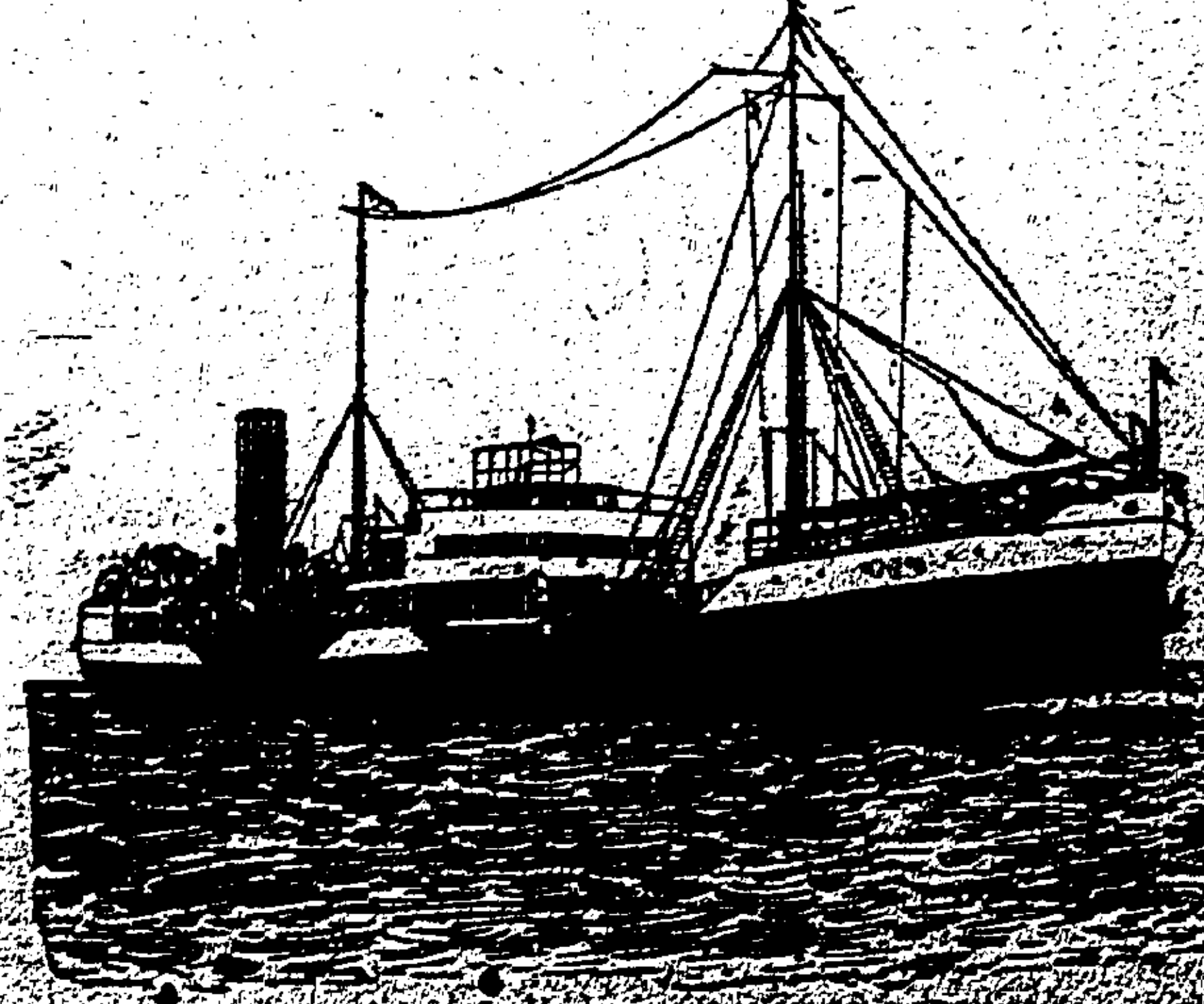
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Hongkong, 30th Dec. 1923.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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S.S. "TENYO MARU"

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S.S.	Tons	From Hong-kong (about)	Destination
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SICILIA	6,813	19th Jan.	S'pore, Pang, C'bo & B'way
MACEDONIA	11,089	26th Jan.	B'way, M'sea, L'don, A'werp
KASHGAR	8,840	9th Feb.	M'sea, London & Antwerp
SOUDAN	6,696	13th Feb.	S'pore, Pang, C'bo & B'way
MOREA	10,911	23rd Feb.	B'way, M'sea, L'don, A'werp

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

S.S.	Tons	From Hong-kong (about)	Destination
FORILLA	5,305	22nd Jan.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
JAPAN	6,032	2nd Feb.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

S.S.	Tons	From Hong-kong (about)	Destination
ARAFUZA	6,000	5 Jan. 4 p.m.	Manila, S'kan, Thurs. Ia.
ST. ALBANS	4,500	2nd Feb.	Cairns, Townsville, B'bane, Sydney & Melbourne.
EASTERN	4,000	27th Feb.	Sydney & Melbourne.

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S.S.	Tons	From Hong-kong (about)	Destination
SICILIA	6,813	5 Jan. d'night	Shanghai
JAPAN	6,032	8th Jan.	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe
ST. ALBANS	4,500	8th Jan.	Moji & Kobe
MOREA	10,911	12th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
FALMA	8,000	16th Jan.	Moji & Kobe
KARNALA	9,098	26th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
SOUDAN	6,696	1st Feb.	Shanghai
EASTERN	4,000	2nd Feb.	Moji & Kobe

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GLENDA	28th Jan.	London, Rotterdam & H'burg	
EMBROKESHIRE	9th Feb.	GLENBEG	1st Mar.
RADNORSIRE	25th Feb.	Genoa, L'don, R'dam & H'burg	
GLENLUCE	10th Mar.		

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ANDRE LEBON	—	—	21st Jan.
AMBOISE	30th Nov.	3rd Jan.	4th Feb.
CORDILLERE	14th Dec.	17th Jan.	13th Feb.
ANGERS	28th Dec.	31st Jan.	3rd Mar.

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S.S. OLDEKERK 3rd Jan.
S.S. SAPAROKA 2nd half Jan.
M. of Feb.

Steamers	For	Sailing on or about
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KASHIMA MARU Wednesday, 2nd Jan.
HAKONE MARU Wednesday, 16th Jan.
HAMBURG via LONDON & ROTTERDAM.

LIVERPOOL via MARSEILLES & VALENCIA.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, Etc.
YOSHINO MARU Wednesday, 16th Jan.
AKI MARU Wednesday, 13th Feb.
NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.
TATSUNO MARU Friday, 11th Jan.
BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Durban & Cape Town.
KAWAKURA MARU End of Jan.
BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.
GENOA MARU Tuesday, 1st Jan.
SADO MARU Wednesday, 9th Jan.
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
AWA MARU Friday, 4th Jan.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
AKI MARU Sunday, 13th Jan.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
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MANILA Mausang Sat. 5th Jan. at 11 a.m.
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AFTER DEATH.

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I have therefore resolved to carry my exploration across the frontier which divides life on this side of the grave from life on the other side.

In my inquiry I shall try to be fearless. I may shock the orthodox. I may offend the hierarchy of profession dogmatists. But my aim is to discover reality and to give hope and comfort to the millions who are hungering not only for the bread of life but also for a glimpse of the twilight country east of the sun and west of the moon and beyond the stars. (James Douglas in *Daily Express*).

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ORIGIN OF PETROLEUM

Some Conflicting Theories.

Petroleum has been known and coveted since the time of Herodotus, who described the oil pits near Babylon, and in the last half-century its importance to mankind has swayed open and secret diplomacy. Probably no other natural product has been studied more diligently or has called into existence a more expert army of engineers, chemists, and geologists, says the *Times* scientific correspondent. It is being sought in every country, in barren uplands and in tropical forests; its distribution in geological formations is known with remarkable accuracy; the chemical and physical properties of all the forms in which it occurs have been investigated with a minute thoroughness. And yet there is still difference of opinion as to how it came into existence, or even as to whether it is of animal, of vegetable, or of mineral origin. Dr. E. E. Spielmann, in a recent little volume ("The Genesis of Petroleum"; Benn) cites no fewer than 100 papers on its origin, printed in scientific journals between 1912 and 1922, and yet hesitates from giving a decisive verdict.

More than a century ago von Humboldt propounded the theory that petroleum was of inorganic origin, a kind of emanation or product of distillation from primeval rocks at an immense depth. Much later the distinguished chemists Berthelot and Mendeleeff ascribed its formation to purely chemical action, at great depths, on the analogy of the action of water on metallic carbides as in the manufacture of "water gas." Similar theories have found more recent support. It has been assumed that the centre of the earth is occupied by a mass of very impure iron in a liquid form, at great pressure. When surface water percolated down to the iron mass it would have a temperature of from 1,000 to 1,500 degrees centigrade, and be under a pressure of 2,000 atmospheres, conditions which would lead to the formation of solid and liquid hydrocarbons such as compose petroleum. But there is no real evidence for the existence of the central mass of iron; it is not found in any of the deep strata, and the presence, in most varieties of petroleum, of nitrogen, phosphorus, and sulphur is difficult to explain on this theory.

ORGANIC ORIGIN.

An increasing majority of those who have studied the chemistry of petroleum and the natural conditions under which it occurs have formed the opinion that it is of organic origin. At first such views tended to the belief that it was a product of natural distillation of coal or of similar carbonaceous matter. Distillation under rather wide conditions of temperature and pressure has resulted, in the laboratory, in the production of liquids similar to natural oil. But there is not enough evidence of the existence of high temperatures such as might be the result of volcanic action in a majority of the natural sources of petroleum, and, on the other hand, there is little evidence as to the equivalence of high temperatures acting for a few hours in the laboratory and low temperatures acting through geological ages. So long ago as 1794 Haquet wrote that the greater part if not the whole of the oil in the Galician fields had come from the decomposition of marine animals. Actually in the laboratory liquids resembling petroleum have been obtained by the distillation of menhaden (fish) oil. At the present time conditions have been observed which suggest that petroleum is still being formed by decomposition. On the Sardinian and Swedish coasts it has been found in seaweeds rotting in the sun and merely under atmospheric pressure. In the Black Sea and in the Gulf of Mexico organic matter chiefly algae, is forming huge layers of rotting organic substances. Similar conditions on a huge scale have occurred repeatedly in geological times. In California, for example, Eocene beds contain a broad expanse of marine shells more than 4,000 feet in thickness and containing organic matter sufficient for the origin of all the oil in those fields.

The evidence seems to show that the formation of petroleum like that of coal, took place at moderate temperatures and at pressures of no great amount, although varying in different localities. But while coal has been produced almost exclusively from vegetation on land or in fresh-water swamps, petroleum has come chiefly from marine

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organisms with a considerable sulphur, and nitrogen and the preponderance of animal matter. The remains of these marine organisms have accumulated at the bottom of saline or brackish seas and lagoons and have been subjected to decomposition by aerobic bacteria with the formation of gases and soluble substances. The fats have been transformed to soluble, glycerine and fatty acids, and the presence of the salt has modified the ordinary course of petroleum migration.

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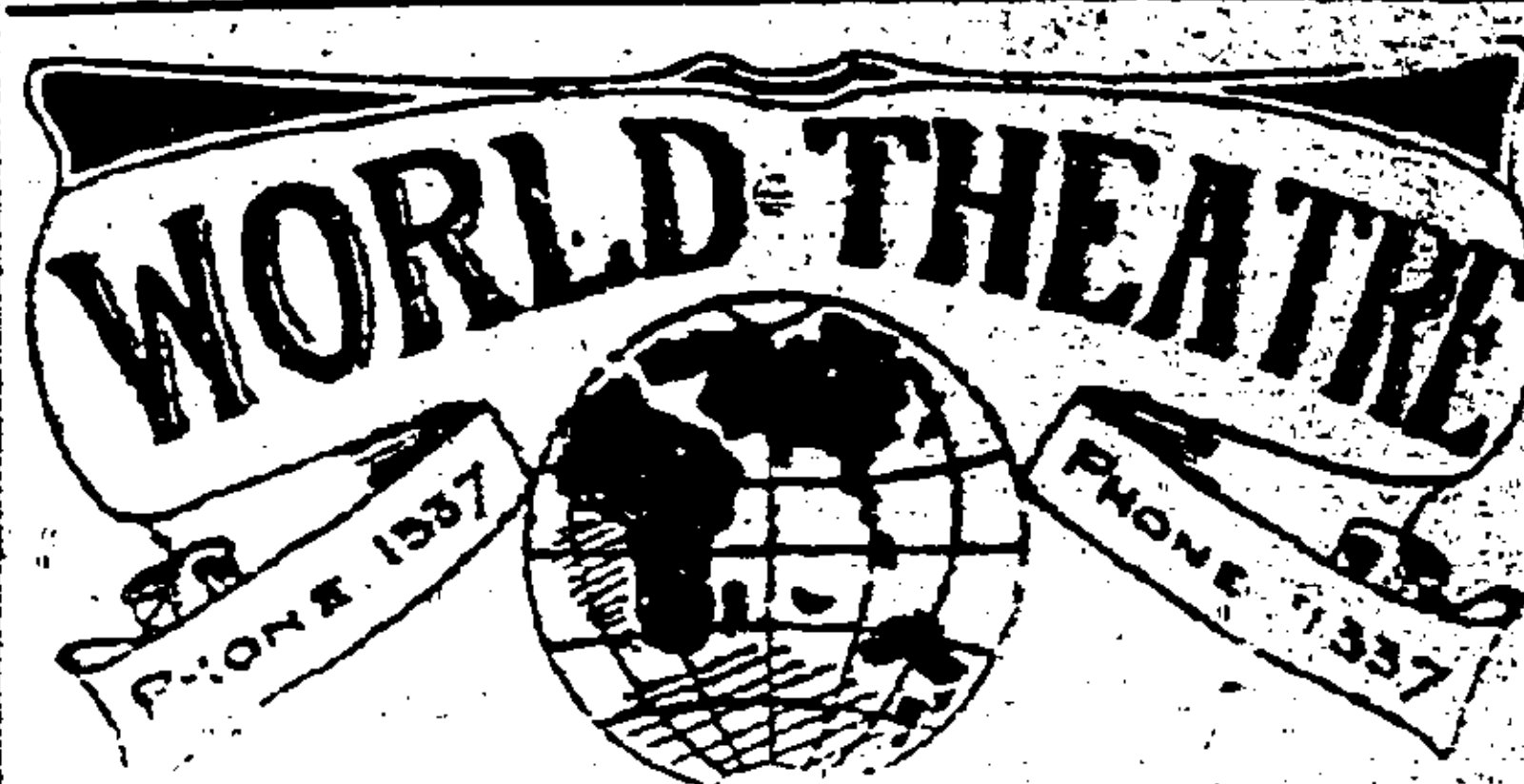
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WHO WAS FIRST
"LORD MAYOR"?The Dartmouth Family's
Claim.

The title of "Lord Mayor" slips glibly off the tongue, but no one can tell us when the mayor became a "Lord" Mayor or who first enjoyed that dignity, writes a correspondent of the *Observer*. The distinction was never conferred by a grant, and the claim by Lord Dartmouth's family that their remote ancestor, Thomas Legge, who was Mayor of London in 1354, was its first Lord Mayor is without corroboration.

Everyone knows, of course, who was the first Mayor of London. This was Henry Fitzwilliam, one of the treasurers for raising Richard I's ransom, and mayor in 1189. Up to that time the chief magistrate had been the "reeve" or "portreeve," as indeed he was called in William the Conqueror's charter to the City, and "reeve" still survives in the word "sheriff." But mayor he remained till, at the end of the fifteenth century, people began to speak of the "Lord Mayor." The earliest evidence of it in literature is perhaps found in Bale (1554), "Maister Harry, my Lord Mayor's tool," and later in *Kilnsey* (1589), "The Lord Mayor or Chief Justice—Præfectus." Meanwhile, the Mayor's prestige had been growing. King John required that every mayor on his election should be presented to him or in his absence to his Justice, and in that year

(1215) the first mayor's procession to the place took place. To-day it is held for precisely the same purpose. Then Edward III. gave permission to the mayor to have gold or silver maces carried before him. The same king constituted him in 1327 the justice of the gaol delivery at Newgate, and as such he remains, taking his place beside the Judge at the Old Bailey. And still later, in the reign of Richard II., the poll tax of 1379 assessed him an earl and the aldermen as barons. When the Sovereign enters the City, the Lord Mayor wears the State robes of an earl.

But we have never discovered yet why it was that people came at last to call him the "Lord" Mayor. No definite grant did it, and no man can be pointed to as having been the first Lord Mayor. But the explanation seems to be this: The custom gradually arose of prefixing "lord" to his ordinary style, just as it had arisen in accentuating such titles as Lord Justice, Lord Warden, Lord High Admiral, Lord Chamberlain, and Lord Chancellor. It became an adjective of emphatic courtesy attached to high office. In the old characters even the King's Christian name received it—thus "Lord Edward, King of England and France"—and it is almost certain that the reason of the custom is found in the facts that the Mayor held an Earl's precedence, was the King's own Judge at Newgate, and, at the same time, and especially, his Justice, and in that year

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